

wk 9

correction

I. What

A. etym [L+ [correctio, corrigere =
com (together) + regere (to make straight)
GK [epianorthosis =
epi (again) + anorthosis (a straightening up)

B. def - the act of rectifying faults

C. kinds :

1. divine & fraternal

2. broad - involves the whole person

sp. [int. will psych [senses brain sph [speech action

examples: to point out mistakes in

judgment & behavior, plumbing & mechanics, farming & business, hygiene & etiquette, sports & arts, math & spelling, police & military strategy.

Same [3. strict - to correct the sinner;
his thinking, choosing, words, actions.
4. ktion - a ktion correcting another ktion re: faith
or morals, so he becomes less a sinner & more a saint.

D. stages :

1. on the part of the
one correcting

[intention to correct
pointing out what is wrong
showing how to do it right

2. on the part of the
one being corrected

[admit wrongdoing
thank the person correcting
be willing to make it right
make it right (begin → end)

II. (How)

- A. w/ charity - essential to mercy
- B. 3-fold procedure - taught by ✕ ;
- ① go to your brother
 - ② get other witnesses
 - ③ go to a higher authority
- C. methods - private or public, gentle or firm, explanatory or punitive, remind or encourage. not too much, not too little.

III. (Who)

- A. should correct :
- 1. the one in the appropriate position [in authority - not ^{too high} _{too low} to punish an equal]
 - 2. the role model (not the bad example)
 - 3. the witness (1st hand knowl. is better than 2nd hand)
 - 4. the one who knows how to correct (not ignorant, in error)
 - 5. the one who is merciful & just.

B. should be corrected :

- 1. the one in ignorance, error, sin.
- 2. the one who is willing to be corrected.
- 3. the one who can't correct himself.
- 4. the one who is committing scandal.

IV. (Why)

- 1. it's a sp. WM
- 2. for good of the person & for the common good
- 3. it is one's right & duty as a ✕tian (Mt. 18:15)
- 4. ✕ did, His Ch. does, the saints did/do.

V. Personal

1. I wouldn't be who I am as a person/priest, w/out it, God has mercifully corrected me after thru my parents, friends, equals, superiors & those who care about me.
2. I am in an ecclesiastical position to correct others thru teaching, preaching & confessing.

VI. Bible

A. examples of correction:

1. OT
 - a. 2 Sam. 12:1-15 — Nathan corrected David
 - b. Neh 8-10, Ezra 9 — Ezra corrected married Israelites.
2. NT
 - a. Mt. 19:1-9 — ✕ corrected Pharisees (also Mt. 23:13-36)
 - b. AA 9:1-6 — ✕ corrected SP
 - c. AA 19:1-20 — SP corrected Ephesians

B. importance of correction:

1. Proverbs 9:7, 8, 13:18, 24, 15:31, 23:13, 14
2. Mt. 3:2, 4:17 — SJB & ✕ begin ministry: "repent"
3. 2 Tm 3:16 — all scripture can be used for correction (epanorthosis).

VII. Sources correction as a sp. WM

1. found in Bible, STA, CE 1907/vol. V, CE by Stravinskis.
2. not found in CCC 2447 (the only sp. WM not mentioned).